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SUBJECT: SOVIET ASIAN COLLECTIVE SECURITY SYSTEM

- 1. YUGOSLAV AMBASSADOR SOBAJIC INFORMED AMBASSADOR FEB 13 THAT AFGHAN DEPFONMIN WAHID ABDULLAH HAD TOLD YUGO DEPFONMIN DURING LATTER'S RECENT VISIT TO KABUL THAT GOA COULD NOT SUBSCRIBE TO SOVIET-PROPOSED ASIAN COLLECTIVE SECURITY SYSTEM WHILE THERE ARE UNRESOLVED BORDER ISSUES IN ASIA. (FYI: STATEMENT WOULD CLEARLY APPEAR REFER TO AFGHAN-PAK BORDER.) YUGO AMBASSADOR THEN ADDED HIS SPECULATION THAT THIS IS "BAD NEWS" SINCE ABDULLAH MUST HAVE TOLD SOVIETS GOA WOULD GO ALONG WITH COLLECTIVE SECURITY SYSTEM AS SOON AS USSR HELPS GOA RESOLVE ITS BORDER PROBLEM WITH PAKISTAN.
- 2. COMMENT: THIS IS FIRST TIME WE HAVE HEARD SUCH VIEW ATTRIBUTED TO GOA. ASSUMING ABDULLAH'S STATEMENT TO BE ACCURATE, SOBAJIC'S SPECULATION COULD WELL BE ON MARK. WHETHER SUCH AN AFGHAN POLICY WOULD CAUSE THE SOVIETS TO SUPPORT AFGHAN POSITION ON PASHTUNISTAN IS

HOWEVER, ANOTHER MATTER. WE FIND IT DIFFICULT TO BELIEVE SOVIETS WOULD EQUATE AFGHAN SUPPORT OF COLLECTIVE SECURITY SYSTEM WITH CONFIDENTIAL

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